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In re application of:

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Application Serial No.: 09/715,426

Filing Date: November 16, 2000

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR CONDUCTING AN ARRAY  
OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS  
ON A SUPPORT SURFACE**

Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Fredman, J. D.

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RESPONSE

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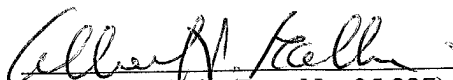
Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on **July 30, 2002**. It is believed that no fees are required. However, if any fees are required in order to maintain the pendency of the instant Application, the Examiner is expressly authorized to charge such to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing 05871.0002.CNUS05.

Applicants elect Group II invention (Claims 18-27) to be examined.

Respectfully submitted,

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